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CPIR:NPIC SER:F00987 GS MSN:S00083 03DEC68H
DAY PHOTO C CAMERA ON 0322Z. OFF 0634Z. CAMERA TYPES ARE A-HR308A
(TEOC) C-9085/64 (OOC). REF [REDACTED] SER.L02379, DTG 040810Z DEC 68.
THIS MISSION PROVIDES COVERAGE OF NORTH VIETNAM, NORTH VIETNAM/SOUTH
CHINA BORDER AREA, LAOS, CAMBODIA, AND SOUTH VIETNAM. THE PHOTOGRAPHY
OF NORTH VIETNAM IS APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT CLOUD COVERED WITH
INTERPRETABILITY RANGING FROM POOR TO GOOD. EIGHT SA-2 SAM SITES ARE
COVERED ON PHOTOGRAPHY, TWO OF WHICH ARE OCCUPIED, FOUR ARE
UNOCCUPIED, ONE IS IDENTIFICATION ONLY, AND ONE OCCUPANCY UNKNOWN.
LAO CAI COMPLEX AND KEP AIRFIELD ARE COVERED. IN ADDITION TO THE
DONG HOI TRANSSHIPMENT AREA (ITEM6), AND THE QUANG KHE TRANSSHIPMENT
AREA (ITEM5). PACOM NORTH VIETNAM CPFL ICOD 14 NOV 68. THIS MESSAGE
SUPPLEMENTS INFORMATION REPORTED IN REF. NPIC WILL NOT DISSEMINATE
A HARD COPY MISSION SUMMARY REPORT OF THIS MISSION.

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PART I. SIGNIFICANT PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS

B. NEW TARGETS AND SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

ZZZ01:SSM AND SAM SEARCH

NO NEW SAM OR SAM ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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ITM02:VINH RAILROAD YARD SGM:2TR6C CTY:VN 184118N1054205E
DES:AT LEAST 54 PIECES OF CONVENTIONAL ROLLING STOCK, INCLUDING
BOX AND FLAT CARS, ARE OBSERVED IN THE VICINITY OF THE YARD.
STEAM LOCOMOTIVES ARE OBSERVED. THIS IS THE FIRST SIGHTING OF
SERVICEABLE CONVENTIONAL ROLLING STOCK IN THE VINH RAILYARD
LEAST ONE YEAR. THIS INDICATES THAT THE RAIL BY-PASS BRIDGES
PHU DIEN CHAU (UTM WF616982) AND TAM DA (UTM WF690839) ARE NOW
PROBABLY CAPABLE OF HANDLING HEAVIER ROLLING STOCK. IN ADDITION,
AT LEAST 63 SMALLER TWO-AXLE FLAT CARS ARE OBSERVED AT THE RAIL-
YARD AND IN THE TRANSSHIPMENT AREA TO THE WEST. SEVENTEEN OF THE
CARS ARE BEING OFF-LOADED AND GRADING IS IN PROGRESS AT THE
LOADING YARD. APPROXIMATELY 25 CARGO TRUCKS ARE PARKED AT THE
TRANSLOADING YARD AND NEAR THE TRANSSHIPMENT AREA.
GFW:25 CARGO TRUCKS.

ITM03:VINH PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STR SGM:2T1AL CTY:VN 184009N1054015E
DES:FORTY-ONE NEW 25 MT POL STORAGE TANKS ARE OBSERVED AT THE
NEWLY REACTIVATED VINH PPS FACILITY. FOURTEEN EXCAVATIONS HAVE
BEEN PREPARED FOR THE BUNKERING OF TANKS AND THE PREVIOUSLY
REPORTED PIPELINE HAS NOW BEEN EXTENDED INTO THE FACILITY. THE
WESTERN LIMIT OF THIS PIPELINE, IDENTIFIABLE ON PHOTOGRAPHY TO
DATE, EXTENDS TO A POINT APPROXIMATELY 3 NM WEST OF THE PPS NEAR
UTM WF710626. THE ESTIMATED CAPACITY FOR THIS FACILITY IS NOW
2085 MT (ASSUMING THAT ONE UNDERGROUND 1000 MT VERTICAL TANK AND
FIVE PUG 12 MT TANKS ARE SERVICEABLE). ONE POL BARGE IS MOORED
NEAR THE PPS ON THE WEST BANK OF THE SONG CA.

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ITM04:TU MY RR SIDING AND SPUR SGM:3UR6B CTY:VN 190030N1053448E
DES:THE TRANSSHIPMENT POINT, LOCATED 21.5 NM NNW OF VINH AT UTM
WG610017, CONSISTS OF A SMALL CLASSIFICATION YARD AND SPUR WITH
59 TWO-AXLE FLAT CARS, THREE PROBABLE CONVENTIONAL RAILROAD CARS,
THREE LORRIES AND TWO PROBABLE DIESEL SWITCH ENGINES. AT LEAST
NINE CARGO TRUCKS ARE PARKED NEXT TO THE SPUR WHERE IT APPEARS
THAT SUPPLIES ARE BEING OFF-LOADED.
GFW:9 CARGO TRUCKS.

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ITM05:QUANG KHE TRANSSHIPMENT AREA SGM:1W5A CTY:VN 174205N1062900E
DES:AREA CONSISTS OF SIX TRANSLOADING RAMPS EXTENDING INTO THE
SONG GIANG. SIX SL-1 ARE BERTHED AT THE RAMPS AND ARE IN THE
PROCESS OF BEING UNLOADED. ONE NORTH VIETNAMESE COASTAL FREIGHTER
(THONG NHAT), ONE SL-1, TWO MOTORISED POL BARGES, ONE SL-3, TWO
LCM, TWO TYPE 47 COASTERS, ONE WUHU YAK (MID-MOORED TO ONE OF THE
SL-1), AND AT LEAST 50 SAMPANS ARE MOORED ALONG THE BANK AND IN
THE SONG GIANG. NUMEROUS PILES OF SUPPLIES ARE SCATTERED ALONG THE
BANK. AT LEAST 12 CARGO TRUCKS IN THE AREA ARE BEING LOADED OR
WAITING TO BE LOADED.
NVL:6 SL-1, 1 SL-3, 1 WUHU YAK, AND 2 LCM.

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ITM06:DONG HOI TRANSSHIPMENT AREA SGM:11AC CTY:VN 172800N1063735E
DES:AREA CONSISTS OF FIVE FINGER PIERS ALONG THE WEST BANK AND
EXTENDING INTO KIEN GIANG. ONE TYPE 47 COASTER AND TWO SAMPANS
ARE MOORED TO ONE FINGER PIER. TWO LCM AND ONE SAMPAN ARE
MOORED ALONG THE BANK. TWO LARGE PILES OF SUPPLIES ARE LOCATED
ON THE BANK NEAR ONE OF THE PIERS.
NVL:2 LCM.

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PART II. OTHER PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS - NONE

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